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-- "Voices of Oncology: Fostering a
Collaborative Community of Experts to
Accelerate Cancer Cures" by Kirk V.
Shepard, M.D., and Ramin Farhood,
PharmD, M.B.A., brings together the
insights of 33 distinguished
contributors from across the oncology
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"Voices of Oncology" offers a bold vision for the future of cancer

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treatment. Through candid interviews and insightful commentary, these voices share real-world experiences, challenges, and solutions—spanning pharmaceutical executives, academic researchers, patient advocates, and innovation partners. With this project, Drs. Shepard and Farhood capture the vital interplay among these diverse perspectives.

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The book highlights how oncology is no longer solely driven by scientific innovation, but by seismic shifts in culture, technology, and patient engagement. From precision medicine and digital therapeutics to health equity and real-world data, the contributors outline the structural and cultural changes reshaping oncology today.

This work also marks the launch of the <u>Oncology Voice Network (OVN)</u>, a new online community at OncologyVoiceNetwork.com designed to amplify voices, connect experts, and accelerate progress in cancer care.

"Voices of Oncology' and the Oncology Voice Network (OVN) together take a bold step toward breaking down barriers that isolate partners within the oncology drug development process," Dr. Farhood said. "Our mission is simple but powerful: to break silos, encourage cross-functional collaboration, and accelerate the development of lifesaving cancer treatments."

"Voices of Oncology" is a rallying cry for those who believe that unity and innovation are the keys to a cure.

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